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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Philip A. Odeen
Director, Program Analysis
National Security Council

SUBJECT : Draft Statement of Priority Intelligence
Requirements for Southeast Asia

1. I have gone over your draft outline of priority intelligence requirements for Southeast Asia and its accompanying draft cover memorandum. Both are well done and potentially very useful. Attached hereto are copies of both, marked up to show certain editorial suggestions offered for your consideration.

a. On the cover note, the most important suggested change is the recommendation that the last sentence of your first paragraph be dropped. It would be very helpful if you could say that the appended requirements statement has been endorsed by Dr. Kissinger. If this is not possible, I think a positive assertion that the requirements have not been reviewed by him would greatly reduce their force and effect.

b. On the requirements themselves, in addition to some suggested augmentations, I would strongly recommend that the short-term requirements be presented first and the long-term ones, second. I would also recommend that the short-term be defined as running through 1973 rather than just through mid-1973.

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2. Thank you very much for your assistance in this venture. If you concur, the most helpful next step would probably be for you to send me a formal, final version of the requirements statement under a formal covering memo. That package could constitute our charter, license and marching orders.



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Attachments

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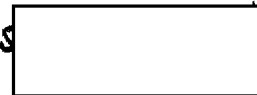
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